

NPIC/D-266-74

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Chief, Product Review Division, IC Staff

SUBJECT : PHOTINT Production During International Crises

REFERENCE :

1. [redacted] asked, by his memorandum of 30 August, that I review and comment on his draft on photographic intelligence production during crises. I have reviewed the draft and agree with the objectives and general approach presented. I agree with the recommendation that the NIO's should have a more direct role in managing the PHOTINT production priorities during such crises. We have had a very productive working relationship with the NIO [redacted]

2. I have no problem in making NPIC representatives available to NIO's during such times. I would suggest, however, that a representative of COMIREX also be assigned full time during a crisis period to the task force in support of the NIO in coordination of requirements and collection management. In this way we would have an effective combination of the collection, exploitation, and analysis elements focussed on the situation.

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